

# In Session:

## CALL/ACBD's Newsletter

### December 2015

#### **From the Executive Board**

##### **Opening Executive Board Meetings**

In the November 2014 meeting of the CALL/ACBD Executive Board, it was decided that meetings of the Board should be made more open. A first step was to make the minutes available to members. Agendas and Minutes starting January 2015 are now available on the website in the "Members" area under "[Member Resources](#)."

The next step is to allow for members to attend Board meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 14 at 1:00 PM EST. If you would more information, please contact National Office for details: [office@callacbd.ca](mailto:office@callacbd.ca). An agenda will be posted to the website in advance. We are pleased to make the Board more transparent for all members. Feedback about these changes may be given to any Board member or National Office.

##### **Membership Renewal**

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##### **Renew your CALL/ACBD membership before it expires on December 31, 2015!**

Thank-you for your dedication in making CALL/ACBD a vibrant network of legal information professionals! Continue to grow, learn and work with the CALL/ACBD network of volunteers, committees, and SIGs and see what you can accomplish this year.

The Canadian Association of Law Libraries is committed to promoting the networking, professional development and career growth of all law library professionals in Canada, no matter where they work. Your annual membership renewal is an essential part of our continued success!

##### **Why Renew?**

Because we are a vibrant, sharing community – by renewing, you maintain your access to our network of hundreds of colleagues across Canada. Because you can make a difference – by renewing, you can help shape the future of our profession through volunteer opportunities on committees and in special interest groups.

##### **How to Renew**

There are two ways to renew your membership:

**Offline:**

[Click here](#) to find the "Offline Renewal" document. Please fill out the form and mail, fax or email it in to our National Office at [membership@callacbd.ca](mailto:membership@callacbd.ca).

**Online:**

To login to the membership portal you will be prompted for your EMAIL ADDRESS and PASSWORD.

[Click here](#) to find the "Online Renewal". Choose your membership type (Full member, Student/Retired or Unwaged) and fill in your contact and billing information. You can then 'Checkout' to pay with PayPal.

For any membership inquiries, please contact Nicole Cork at [office@callacbd.ca](mailto:office@callacbd.ca) or at 647.346.8723 ext. 323.

**Renouvelez votre adhésion à l'ACBD/CALL avant son expiration le 31 décembre 2014!**

Nous vous remercions de votre dévouement à faire de l'ACBD/CALL un réseau dynamique de professionnels de l'information juridique! Continuez de progresser, d'apprendre et de travailler avec le réseau de l'ACBD/CALL composé de bénévoles, de comités et de GIS et voyez ce que vous pouvez accomplir cette année.

L'Association canadienne des bibliothèques de droit (ACBD) s'engage à promouvoir le réseautage, le perfectionnement professionnel et l'avancement professionnel de tous les professionnels des bibliothèques de droit au Canada, quel que soit le lieu où ils travaillent. Le renouvellement annuel de votre adhésion est un élément essentiel de notre succès continu!

**Pourquoi devrais-je renouveler mon adhésion?**

Parce que nous formons une communauté de partage dynamique – en renouvelant votre adhésion, vous conservez votre accès à un réseau formé de centaines de collègues partout au Canada. Parce que vous pouvez faire une différence – en renouvelant votre adhésion, vous pouvez aider à façonner l'avenir de notre profession en profitant des occasions de faire du bénévolat au sein des comités et des groupes d'intérêts spéciaux.

**Comment renouveler l'adhésion**

Vous pouvez renouveler votre adhésion des deux façons suivantes :

[Cliquez ici](#) pour accéder au document « renouvellement hors ligne ». Veuillez remplir le formulaire et le transmettre à notre Bureau national par courrier, par télécopieur ou par courriel à [membership@callacbd.ca](mailto:membership@callacbd.ca).

**En ligne:**

Pour vous connecter sur le portail des membres, on vous demandera votre ADRESSE ÉLECTRONIQUE et votre MOT DE PASSE.

[Cliquez ici](#) pour accéder au document « renouvellement en ligne ». Veuillez choisir votre type d'adhésion (membre à part entière, membre étudiant/retraité ou membre non rémunéré) et indiquer vos coordonnées ainsi que les renseignements sur la facturation. Vous pouvez ensuite passer à la caisse pour payer par PayPal.

Pour toute question au sujet de l'adhésion, veuillez communiquer avec Nicole Cork par courriel à [office@callacbd.ca](mailto:office@callacbd.ca) ou par téléphone au 647-346-8723, poste 323.

## Events

### 2016 Annual Conference – May 15 - 18



#### Accommodation & Registration Details

The 2016 conference will be hosted at the stunning Westin Bayshore, located at 1601 Bayshore Drive in Vancouver, BC. The Westin Bayshore is a downtown Vancouver hotel that offers guests beautiful West Coast water and mountain views and is just steps away from iconic Stanley Park. Our special room rate at the Westin Bayshore is \$209, a \$90 savings per night! You can learn more about room options and book at our special rate today by visiting the conference website accommodations page.

Early bird conference registration will remain at \$550. The pre-conference workshop cost will also remain the same, at \$250. Registration will open early in the New Year. Additional cost details are available on the conference website registration page.

With thanks to all those who sent in proposals for educational sessions and lightning talks, the submission period is now closed. The proposals were reviewed in November and all those who submitted ideas will be contacted throughout December as successful proposals are confirmed. If you wish to get in touch about conference programming, please email our Program Chair, Carolyn Petrie, at [cap@bht.com](mailto:cap@bht.com).

## Committee & SIG News

### Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing

Each year, CALL/ACBD honours a publisher (whether for profit or not-for-profit, corporate or non-corporate) which has demonstrated excellence by publishing a work, series or electronic product that makes a significant contribution to legal research and scholarship. Nominations can be submitted to Annette Demers, Past President, Chair of the Hugh Lawford Award Committee [ademers@uwindsor.ca](mailto:ademers@uwindsor.ca) before February 15, 2015. For more information please click here.

### Scholarships & Awards Committee

There are several opportunities on the horizon for recognition or financial support from CALL/ACBD. Take a moment to consider whether you wish apply or nominate a deserving someone for the following:

James D. Lang Memorial Scholarship– applications close January 15, 2016. Support your learning and professional development. Previous winners have used funds to learn facilitation skills, take courses on parliamentary procedure or substantive law topics – the limit here is your imagination!

It has been confirmed that the **Northern Exposure to Leadership Institute (NELI)** will be held in the fall of 2016. CALL/ACBD typically supports the attendance of one emerging leader. Check the Institute's website for details on the application process.

Applications for the Diana M. Priestly Scholarship are open. If you are a lawyer pursuing an information degree, or a librarian in law school, you may be eligible for financial support. Completed applications must be received by February 1, 2016.

Nominations for the [Denis Marshall Memorial Award](#) will be opening soon. Tie on your thinking caps now and marshal your arguments for this most distinguished award. (Yes, I said it).

[Eunice Beeson Memorial Travel Fund](#) - the fund was established to assist members of the CALL/ACBD who wish to attend the Annual Meeting, but, for financial reasons, are unable to do so. Bursaries are provided to cover travel expenses and/or accommodation. The deadline has been extended to February 15, 2016. Click [here](#) for an application.

### **Membership Development Committee**

You never know how you'll end up in the law library profession. Hear one member's journey in this month's profile: [Five Questions with Michael McAlpine](#).

MDC is look for Mentors!

CALL/ACBD's mentorship program has been a great success due in large part to the group of dedicated volunteer mentors who share their time and wisdom with student members.

With membership renewal just around the corner, we'd like to invite CALL members to consider volunteering their time as a mentor in 2016. The format and time commitment of a mentoring relationship is flexible and will be worked out between the mentor and mentee. If you're curious about the program, check out the [FAQ page](#).

The formal call for participants won't go out until the New Year but we have included a section on the membership renewal form to indicate interest in being a mentor. Please consider becoming a mentor—it's a great way to foster interest and growth in our profession and develop your own coaching skills.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Helen Mok at [hmok@parlee.com](mailto:hmok@parlee.com).

